

Lexington Caucasian.

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Largest Local and a General
Circulation, extending over
all the States and
Territories.Official County Paper.
It is estimated that Dakota terri-
tory will produce this year seven
million bushels of wheat.Lady Franklin, the wife of Sir
John Franklin, the Arctic explorer,
who was lost on his first expedition,
died in England on the 17th inst.Late rains in the region of the
Oregon river have caused it to
overflow its banks and do great dam-
age to the crops along the bottom.The Independence correspondent of
the Kansas City Mail of the 16th
inst., says: The narrow gauge sur-
veying party are still at work, and
have already reached the Blue.Leader, the man who made the
alleged false affidavit concerning
the criminal intimacy of Beecher
and Mrs. Tilton, has been indicted
by the grand jury for perjury.The Chittenden Constitution esti-
mates the loss of crops from over-
flows in Livingston county at \$80,730,
and the bridge loss at \$10,000. Loss
of stock by drowning in the same
county is put at \$8,000.The Sioux are on the war path in
the Black Hills and all those who
dare to pay for their gold in bar,
can start for that point immedi-
ately. They attacked a party of mil-
itaries and killed ten men.The time for electing a new chief
in the Indian Territory is approach-
ing. The parties of the two candi-
dates are so bitter against each other
that murders are of weekly oc-
currence.James Guyar and Mrs. Sloan, the
latter only sixteen years old, started
from Warrensburg last Saturday
evening for their home in the coun-
try. They came to Brush creek,
missed the ford, drove over a per-
pendicular bank into the high waters
beneath, and both were drowned.Col. Geo. Vest, the Little Giant
of the Big Muddy, with his keen
rapier of sarcasm, will back Old Bill
Allen of Ohio, and his foghorn, the
wild haired Bill Greaves, who was
convicted and born during a finan-
cial crisis, will shake his big noisy
fat in the faces of both during the
campaign next fall.A determined committee of citi-
zens waited on the father-in-law
of Pleasant Hill, Mo., on the 16th inst., and
gave him twenty-four hours to leave the
country. He was charged with hav-
ing attempted on several occasions
to ravish his daughters aged four-
teen and sixteen. They should
have hung him first and sent his
carcass off by express.Geo. W. Jackson, U. S. Internal
Revenue Collector of Louisville,
Ky., was charged, on the 16th inst.,
with being a defaulter to the amount
of \$45,000. He was arrested, and
the day after his arrest he died, it
is thought from the effects of a dose
of poison. He was a prominent
church member, and a member of
the board of school trustees.Senator Thurman, of Ohio, will
not stand on the soft muddy plank
of the Democratic platform. Some
fellow suggested that he had better
join the Radical party. He said
substantially that he'd rather stick
to the party which has only one
weak plank in its platform, than to
join the one which has no bottom in
its platform at all.The Moberly Dead Headlight, and
its editorial Jack O'Leary, does not
like to be snuffed by the "literary
blacksmiths" who edit the Cauca-
sian. A literary blacksmith, how-
ever, always has the advantage of a
literary cobbler, who attempts to
twist a perfectly grammatical phrase
into a thread to hang an objection
upon.In 1868, a desperado named
Sprague killed a saloon keeper,
named Dyer, in Holden, Mo. He
escaped to Iowa. Two years after,
a friend of Dyer's caught him and
brought him to Warrensburg.
Sprague took a change of venue to
Cass county, and broke jail there.
He was caught again and convicted
of murder in the first degree at
Pleasant Hill on the 16th inst.Dr. Hutton, of Red Oak, Iowa,
was the family physician of Fred
Mawber, and a short time since
attended Fred's wife during her ac-
couchment. Fred says that the doc-
tor performed upon her a dangerous
and injurious operation. He took a
Spencer rifle, met Dr. H. on the
road, drew a bead on him and sent
a ball through his body. It was hard
for the sheriff to keep the people
from hanging Fred for his deliberate
murder.During an election in St. Louis,
a few days ago, to fill a vacancy for
judge of the circuit court, Messrs.
Louis Gottschalk, John H. O'Neill,
George W. Lubke, Thomas S. Epp,
Henry D. Laughlin, the candidates
for the office, signed an agreement
that they would either elect one
themselves or employ any one else
to do it for them. That was a piece
of common sense and manliness,
worthy of men who aspire to a
respectable position. Gottschalk
was elected.

HIGH-TONED SCOUNDRELS.

The journalist is enabled, by the
magic light of electricity, to see a
hundred scenes of life at once, in as
many different parts of the country,
and he may, by looking through the
long columns of the newspaper, view
in a single day the acts of hundreds
of his fellow men. This enables him
to generalize. Sometimes we hear
of an epidemic of crime, and taking
the telescope of the press, we sweep
the horizon which bounds this broad
land and behold the devil sulking
the gates of hell for thousands with
the red-hot key of alcohol; the lib-
ertine, plucking from the garden of
home the flower of the household,
to transplant it in the hot bed of sin
in some great metropolis, where it
bourgeons for a while in the rank
soil of licentiousness, and then fades
and dies; the red-headed murderer
standing over his bloody victim, and
the midnight robber carrying off the
spoils of a bank. There is another
and a more respectable form of wicked-
ness which we see so often. It, too,
comes in epidemic form.The perpetrators are not the her-
ald, the vicious and the ignorant;
but the cultivated, the refined and
the educated men. The most pre-
valent crime of the day is defaulter-
ship, or the violation of trust among men
in government offices, and in cor-
porations such as banks, insurance
and railroad companies. The accused
spirit of this age—the mad thirst for
rapidly and easily acquired wealth—is
the primal cause of this peculiar
epidemic of crime.Events will show how frequent
and bold are the crimes of high-toned
scoundrels. The defaulter's bank
swindle was a kind of systematic and
cold-blooded atrocity, by which sixty
thousand poor, ignorant negroes were
swindled out of their all. The high-
toned scoundrels who committed this
deed parade themselves at the
national capital, and flaunt their il-
l-gotten gains in the eyes of the world.A young man in St. Joseph, with
every advantage of high social po-
sition, crowds of admiring friends,
and the confidence of his employers,
carried on for years a system of bold
speculation, until finally he robbed
the company of which he was an of-
ficer, of thousands. He wanted to
get rich. He is a fugitive from jus-
tice, and leaves a beautiful young
wife, worse than a widow, and a child
which he has disgraced!The state treasurer of Louisiana
is now undergoing trial, charged
with having collected from the state
\$47,000 on fraudulent bonds. He is
a carpet-bagger, and it is little won-
der that he should steal.On the 16th inst., Charles Mont-
gomery, agent of Chicago, absconded
with \$7,000.Gen. Jackson, deputy U. S. inter-
nal collector at Louisville, Ky., was,
a few days ago, found to be \$82,000
behind in his accounts. He was ar-
rested, and the same night took a
dose of poison, and "stepped from the
living pan into the fire." He was a
prominent church member, and one
of the board of school trustees, and
was considered a man of incorrupti-
ble honesty.In Boston, Mass., about three
weeks ago, another Jackson, an of-
ficer of a mechanical association, was
found to have made away, by vari-
ous "ways that are dark," with
\$12,000 of other people's money. He
fled to Canada, on his way to
Europe, but was captured, and now
languishes in prison. He, too, was
a high-toned scoundrel, trusted and
respected by all, a man of some in-
tellectual culture, and moving among
the tons of the nob.In our own state, and in the city
of which every Missourian and west-
ern man is justly proud, we see a
dozen or more firms, which have
heretofore stood high in the public
estimation, indicted for robbing the
government of the tax on whisky.In San Francisco we are greeted
with a similar scene.Prof. Marsh, of Yale College, has
just laid before President Grant the
evidence of systematic fraud and
theft among the Red Cloud Indian
agents, and charges with complicity
in them some prominent officers of
the Department of the Interior.Let it be remembered that, with
the exception of a Freedman's Bank
swindle, this is the review of a single
month, and not of a year. In nearly
all cases these high-toned scoundrels
lived beyond their legitimate
means. Some criminals speculate,
some gamble, some spend their money
on wine and women, but these fol-
lows are different. They are moral
men, who wear the liveliest of mor-
als to serve the devil in. The peo-
ple are not familiar with the com-
plicated details, the numerous forms,
blanks, schedules, tabular state-
ments, rates of percentage, and all
the other minutiae of a government
office, insurance company, bank,
railroad, utility, county or state, and
they do not understand how men
can steal so easily, and remain long
undiscovered so long. No one but
a man of considerable natural
intelligence, and business experi-
ence, a man who has gained personal
popularity by his individual and
social traits, can get off in one of
these positions, and this will explain
why we have so many respectable
criminals in the category of
scoundrels.The fashionable matrons of the
East have hitherto considered it a
gross violation of the rules of polite
society to have babies. Now that
Nellie Blanton set them out on a
pound-and-four-ounce example, they
all want to have at least, and
we are in favor of granting their
request.

THE COUNTY FAIR.

For many years Lafayette county
has been justly proud of her agricul-
tural fair. It has always been an
occasion of great enjoyment, and the
encouraging influences which it exerts
upon the farmers is worth hundreds
of dollars to the county. When we
see accumulated there the fine pro-
ducts of the county, the beautiful
domestic animals, and a hundred
works of man, which contribute to
the material comfort of our people,
we recognize the fact that we live in
a magnificent state, and that all
around us there are means of gaining
wealth, comfort and happiness. No
matter what the condition of the
county, we ought to have a fair every
year, if it only lasts two days. It
keeps up the spirit of pride and
emulation among the farmers, and
prevents them from losing their in-
terest in the improvement of their
stock, crops, etc., and their modes
of farming. Let us have a fair by
all means and we feel confident that
by fall we will have displays of stock
and farm products that will "aston-
ish the natives."Our misfortunes in connection
with railroad bonds and hoppers
have been bruited over the land and
the county has a tarnished name; but,
if we hold a fair, people outside
will see that we are a wide awake
people, and not to be crushed by
tricks.

The Cuban war.

The war in Cuba which has been
in progress for seven years, has
reached a desperate phase. The Cu-
bans are situated exactly as we were
in '76. Gen. Aguirre, the insur-
gent commander, has issued a pro-
clamation in which he accuses those
unfortunate words: "Fire and blood
over, or freedom and progress for
all." That may sound a little bom-
bastic, but it is the right sentiment.
It is now war to the knife and no
quarter. The Cubans have resorted
to the torch as a destroyer. On the
25th of June the village of Rudi-
ge was attacked and left a heap
of ashes. "Fire and Blood" was the
war-cry of the desperate Cubans.On the 26th, a hand-to-hand combat
came off at Escarajada, in which the
patriots, after a loss of one hundred
and fifty, drove the Spaniards off
the field with two hundred and fifty
killed. On the same day, fourteen
armed insurgents made a rapid de-
tour through the district of Banes,
applying the torch to every sugar-
mill and house on the line of their
march. A battalion of Spanish cav-
alrymen overtook them, killed six,
took five, and executed them on the
spot. But a dozen Spaniards bit
the dust, and the fourteen scouts de-
stroyed a million dollars worth of
property!Eighty patriot soldiers attacked
the town of Manigua, captured it,
put the garrison to death, and level-
ed the houses to the ground. It is a
disgrace to this country that a band
of men struggling for freedom should
be wiped out without our interference.
They have shown, by seven
years bloody contest, that they are
brave, and deserve to be successful.
The Spaniards cannot govern their
own country, and it is nothing but
a nest of robbers and pillagers. And
all the blood of those who were
murdered in the Virginia massacre
cries to heaven, and no answer of
promised justice echoes back.

A READY PENNY.

Farmers are all hard up for money.
This fall, many of them will doubt-
less have taxes to pay. They will
also need a little ready money to
buy some of the necessities of life,
which they can not raise on their
farms. Now how are they going to
get hold of that little ready money?
Live stock of all kinds will be in de-
mand in this vicinity next fall. The
people in Chicago and St. Louis, as
the weather grows cold, will want
more meat to eat, and we must sup-
ply them. Pick out a fine young
steer, or two or three fine sheep or
hogs, and begin to take a little spec-
ulative pains now, and get them in fine
order. There are very few farmers
who cannot fatten one or two of the
above mentioned animals, but some
few domestic animals in top order,
so that it will "sell on sight." A few
cows of corn a day, a few bushels
of oats, or of wheat, or a half bushel
of bran or ship-stuff, and regular
feeding, will render either of the
above animals as fat as butter. Take
pains, and watch and attend to them
every day as a man does his favorite
horse, or a lady does her favorite
flower. Halt a dozen poor, scrawny
calves or hogs, or long haired calves
or young mules, will not bring cash
as quickly as one single animal that
is in fine condition. The country
this fall will be swarming with
traders, who will pay the cash in
hand for good stock. If a trader
goes into a neighborhood and finds
that he can pick up a car load of
fine, fat stock by one and two, he
will be glad to do it, and pay the
cash.Oh, how the radical party does
love the nigger! See the eager soli-
citude with which they rush to em-
brace him—when they hear he has
a dollar and a half in his pocket that
they can steal while shedding croo-
dile tears on his brawny bosom.Fred Douglas says they can't come
any more Freedmen's bank dodges
over the colored voter as long as his
tongue is a wag!The whisky ring is rolling round
in San Francisco, and includes in its
circumference as much racehobby as
the one in St. Louis.

THE NARROW GAUGE R. R.

We have lately seen and conversed
with several persons in our city gen-
erally supposed to be the most in-
terested in the completion of the
Narrow Gauge Railroad to Lexing-
ton. These gentlemen inform us
that they made what they consider-
ed very liberal offers to the company
if they would take the Lexington
route, but without success, and they
now think that the road will be built
upon what is known as the "interior
route," passing through the centre of
the county, via Mayview and Hig-
ginsville. While we as a citizen of
Lexington regret that this is the
case, we are glad to know that our
friends in the centre of the county
will thus secure the railroad facilities
of which they stand so much in
need.But while the main line of the
road will thus pass some six or eight
miles south of us, the gentlemen
above referred to, who are the own-
ers of a large portion of the coal
front upon the river, do not propose
to be cut off entirely from all the
benefits which the road will confer
upon them by giving a western out-
let to their coal productions. They
propose, should they be correct in
their supposition that the road will
take the interior route, to build a
branch, to connect with the main
line either at its crossing of the
Gulf river grade, or at some point
west of Wellington, this branch road
to be used exclusively by themselves
for the shipment of coal, and so ar-
ranged as to give them the best and
cheapest facilities for the handling
of their greatest source of wealth,
when fully developed. They claim
that so far as they are individually
concerned, the branch arrangement
will confer the greater benefits, as it
will be under their entire control
and can be so arranged as to give
them better facilities for shipment
than they could possibly expect a
railroad company to grant. With
a western outlet for our coal, a large
number of miners and their families
would be added to our population,
and as they spend the greater por-
tion of their earnings at home, for
food, clothing, rent, etc., would re-
sult in a large increase of business
to our merchants, give a ready mar-
ket for all kinds of farm produce,
cause the building of a large num-
ber of tenement houses, thereby
rendering now unimproved real
estate a source of revenue to its
owners, and give our mechanics
and laborers a new field for their
labors. Lafayette county coal is
known to be of a superior quality
for heating purposes to any coal west
of the Mississippi, and our mines
being much nearer the great con-
suming mart, Kansas City, (where
thirteen railroads centre, and obtain
a large portion of the fuel for their
locomotives,) it is reasonable
to suppose that our coal could be
placed upon the market at a less
price than other coal could be pro-
duced, and would thereby
finally result in driving all other coal
out of the market. When this
should be the case, a thousand miners
could not supply the demand, and
with that number added to our popu-
lation, with their families, and the
laborers, mechanics, business men,
and others who would be thus
brought among us, will result in an
addition of not less than ten thou-
sand to our population.The present coal company, supply-
ing only a portion of our railroad,
and employing not to exceed fifty
miners, disburse to our mind not
less than one hundred thousand dol-
lars annually, and has kept all busi-
ness from complete stagnation dur-
ing the past and present hard times.
With an increase of forty fold to
this business, the dullest cannot fail
to see the great benefits which will
result to our city and county.It is always darkest just before
the dawn, and we believe the sur-
ge of prosperity is about to burst
from the clouds and shed its radiance
over what is destined in the future
to be the richest and most prosper-
ous county in the state. Take heart,
good people, and old Lafayette
will shake off her burdens and stand
free once more.James Spatt, of New York, threw
his wife out of a second story win-
dow. On the 18th inst., he was
sentenced to ten years in the peni-
tentiary for this little piece of coun-
cil playfulness.

CORTINA.

The following is a description of
the Mexican outlaw who has for
some months past been ravaging the
Texas border. Three weeks ago he
was captured and he will be shot,
as he deserves:Cortina has been an outlaw and
fugitive from justice for the last ten
years. Some politicians found that
he could influence a large vote among
the countrymen, and during the elec-
tion he was courted. Thus there
was never any effort made to bring
him to justice. His mother owns
ten leagues of land in a body near
Brownsville, much of it covered with
dense chaparral. A few miles back
from his house, near the river, he
built a rancho called San Jose, which
is arranged for a secure retreat, where
it would be difficult to surprise any-
one. This was an asylum for horses
and cattle thieves, robbers, and
murders, and for those whose enemies
would not permit them to live on the
Mexican side of the river, or who
dared not stay themselves in the
thickly settled parts of the state.The report of Cortina has remain-
ed unaltered for over fourteen
years, and during that time the his-
tory of the border has been one
long story of murder and robbery.

THE LATEST NEWS.

The following persons are before
the United States District Court in
St. Louis, charged with violation of
the revenue laws in connection with
the "crooked whiskey ring." John
McDonald, late supervisor of this
district, and Col. John A. Joyce,
late revenue agent, charged with re-
ceiving unlawful fees, and for viola-
tion of their duties and powers.
The defendants waived a formal ar-
raignment and pled not guilty, and
their bonds fixed at \$5,000. Randolph
W. Ulrick, not so effacing stamps
and brands from empty cases, and
for carrying on distillery without
giving bonds; M. Foster, D. A.
West, Wm. Henke, Louis Keller-
man, B. A. Engle, and J. L. Ber-
nacker.On the morning of the 20th inst.,
a fire destroyed Block & Co.'s print-
ing office, in Cincinnati. At three
o'clock the walls of the building,
which had not fallen from the effects
of an explosion of gas, and some seven
firemen, with Chief Engineer Magree,
were buried under the debris. Chief
Magree was in the second story and
had just called for a crew bar, when
the explosion occurred. A general
alarm was immediately given, and
the whole of the fire department
was soon on hand and at work
searching for their unfortunate com-
panions among the ruins. At 4
o'clock Chief Magree's voice was
heard calling for help. He was re-
cued, but was badly bruised and
died. Dick Holcomb was found
dead in the ruins. His body was
horribly torn and mangled, it being
broken in two just below the breast.
McComick, another of the men, had
one side of his face knocked off, and
is injured worse than was at first
supposed. The others were all slight-
ly injured. The total loss was over
\$100,000, with \$75,000 insurance.On the 19th inst., there was a
furious storm in Mercer county,
Ky. Miss Ida Hoff was standing
at her door watching the storm when
she was struck by lightning and
killed instantly.Gen. Waddy Thompson, one of the
lessors of our state penitentiary, is
now in jail in Memphis, Tenn. He
is to be tried on six indictments,
three for horse-stealing, one for at-
tempt to commit larceny, and two
for perjury. He forfeited a bond of
\$10,000.On the 22d inst., at Newark,
Ohio, a test was to be made of a fire
extinguisher, and a building had
been erected by consent of the city
council, which was to be fired for
the occasion. It was thoroughly
saturated with coal oil, and during
the preparations it prematurely took
fire. An explosion ensued, terribly
burning D. C. Winegardner, Gov.
J. B. Jones, Chas. Thompson, street
commissioner, and a bridge con-
tractor from Toledo, and some fifty
or twenty other men and boys.
Some of the latter, it is thought
are fatally burned.At a swimming match for the
champion ship of the world, which
came off at Chester Pa., on the 22d
inst., Johnson the present cham-
pion won. He swam ten and a half
miles in three hours and ten min-
utes.The Mitchell furniture factory of
St. Louis, one of the most extensive
in the west, was destroyed by fire on
the 18th inst. Loss \$50,000.The wife of the Hon. John F.
Darcy, oldest living ex-mayor of St.
Louis, died on the 18th inst.A terrific storm of wind and rain
visited the vicinity of Wheeling,
Va., on the 18th inst. Telegraph
wires were prostrated in all direc-
tions, trees torn up by the roots,
fences destroyed and corn and grain
badly damaged by being beaten to
the ground. The rain descended
in torrents and the gale lasted for
over half an hour. Another storm,
nearly as fierce, but of shorter dur-
ation, passed over the city at twelve
o'clock on the same night.Wm. Bridgerton, supposed to be
one of the men who attacked a train
near Terre Haute, Ind., a short time
ago, an account of which appeared
in last week's Caucasian, has been
captured. He was found in a boat
on a lovely lake near Oakton,
Ind., and was armed with two large
revolvers and a bow knife. He
showed fight, but the officers had a
dozen weapons leveled on him and
he surrendered.An Independence man has re-
ceived from the east a new specimen
of vegetable called the Beecher beet.
They have planted large quantities
of them, but they only produce
"so-so."The Rev. J. M. Van Wagner, of
Sedalia, has been engaged in street
preaching and denouncing retail
whisky dealers. While Brother Van
Wagner shakes these fellows over
hell-fire, they continue to take their
snuff.Two drunken rural desperados
went to Breckenridge, Caldwell
county, and filled themselves with
whisky. They then began to terror-
ize the town. The marshal, Thos.
Kelly, attempted to arrest one, when
he drew his revolver from his boot
leg, but the marshal was too quick,
knocked him down with his pistol
and captured him. The other one
fled and was pursued by citizens and
captured also.The Hon. Celestus Price, of St.
Louis, has been appointed Insur-
ance Commissioner by Gov. Hardin,
to fill the vacancy made by the death
of Gen. F. P. Blair.

COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE.

The health of our city is good.
Old Benches keeps in dry goods
and groceries; Ballard does our
black-smithing; Harr and Reister-
man are our lawyers, and James M.
Poole and T. T. Pickett keep our
city well supplied with gas.We, last week, bid the last of our
hoppers adieu. Our parting was
very affecting.What little corn we have left is
looking fine. The new corn is com-
ing up splendidly, and the farmers
have got their heads up and talk
over the dash-board once more.There will be a shooting range out
here, similar to the one described in
the Caucasian a few weeks ago, if
we are to judge from the behavior
of a young lady and gentleman of
this neighborhood.All of the "sufferers" have been
supplied with corn and garden seed.
Some of them had plenty of old corn
in their cribs and money in their
pockets, but they wanted some of
that "grain corn."Dr. Bradley has recovered from a
long spell of rheumatic sickness.

Yours, J. K. BOWERS.

MY HOME.

Everything in the shape of news
very scarce.The planting season being over,
our farmers are actively prosecuting
hostilities against the weeds.There has been an unusual amount
of farm labor performed this season.
It has been somewhat unprofitable
so far, but the energy of the farm-
ers does not seem to abate. Our
young corn is growing rapidly, and
if the season continues favorable, we
reasonably hope to yet secure, if not
an abundant crop, a sufficiency to
carry us through another winter.The farmers are in excellent spirits
and seem fully determined to work.A great deal of actual suffering
has been prevented by timely do-
nations from abroad, for which
the recipients will ever remember
with heart-felt gratitude, the persons
who so kindly came to their relief.We have nothing of which to com-
plain except the shameful treatment
received at the hands of unprin-
cipleless speculators in seed corn,
who furnished us a low grade of corn
that would not, even in ordinary times,
be considered good feed; and which
has been sold to us at extra prices,
but the cost is nothing compared to
the loss sustained from the failure to
grow. The parties, we think, will
be fully advertised in the future.The donations we received were
mostly from St. Louis, and consisted
of corn, flour, meal, potatoes, dried
fruit, sugar, etc. They have been
distributed by the city council, and
have saved many persons from re-
lief, who otherwise would not have
been able to have done so.The prevailing theory out here is
that our recent misfortunes will
prove blessings in disguise.Some little real estate has been
sold at very reasonable prices. Now
is the time to purchase; the panic is
about over, and the reaction will
soon set in.Nothing very lively in our midst
except the Sunday school cause.We have three, all flourishing and
growing in interest. On last Sat-
urday there was held, in the Meth-
odist church, a mass meeting of the
three denominational schools, which
proved very interesting to both old
and young. Short addresses by the
Revs. Atkinson and Smith and Prof.
Wm. Carter, and a good deal of good
discussion followed, and the meeting
closed with a view to cultivate good
feeling among the pupils, and also
to discuss the best manner of gain-
ing the attention of the youthful
mind in the imparting of valuable
instruction.

The object is a good one.

AULVILLE.

Several days ago our city was the
scene of some exciting merriment,
caused by one saloon being sold out
to another. Sam set 'em up to the
satisfaction of all libbers.Geo. W. Ennis has gone to St.
Louis for the purpose of negotiating
for the sale of his patent metallic
weather strip.D. F. Hoffman has returned from
his business trip to Illinois.The Eureka base-ball club of Hig-
ginsville challenged the Aulville
club to play the best 2 out of 3
games. The first game was played
Friday of last week. Capt. George
Granger commanded the Eureka nine,
composed of the following persons:
H. Smith, A. Willis, W. S. Law-
rence, C. Schroder, Dr. Seiber, N. L.
Chamblin, A. Nichols; the Aulville
club were Geo. Jones, captain, J. Eod-
ey, F. Mook, W. Ward, J. Whit-
worth, John Genorly, J. Carron, J. G.
Gentry, K. Kinsey. Capt. Jones
took the field, with the Eureka nine
at the bat. The first score made by
the Eureka nine was by Schroder.The game stood in favor of the Aul-
ville nine on account of more accu-
rate throwing and better catching.
After a few innings had been played
the Eureka nine had three men dis-
abled, and the substitutes put in their
places were new hands who had
never played before. The Aulville
club were the best and most distin-
guished players.John Genorly, the third baseman of
the Aulville nine, caught, in suc-
cession, 3 fly balls. In the 5th inning
the Eureka made such a score
that Capt. Jones was terrified into
abandoning his place as pitcher, for
center field. Good playing, how-
ever, was done on both sides, the
score being: Aulville 31; Eureka 24.The road overseers are neglecting
their duties. Our roads are in such
a condition that it is almost impos-
sible to come to town.

PLEASANT FRANKIE.

There is nothing to report from
this part of your moral vineyard,
except that morality is steadily on
the decline. Some people cannot go
to church without stealing, as was pro-

THE MISSING LINK.

Charles Darwin appears to ex-
emplify the truth of his "Origin of
Species" in his own person. Al-
though having a strong and intel-
lectual face, he certainly bears a
striking resemblance to an out-
rigger in respect to his features.The nose, the mouth, the whole
facial configuration convey an im-
pression of the quadruman apes.
One does not observe the likeness
after talking with the scientist a lit-
tle while, but at first it is painfully
visible.He is aware of this himself, and
he makes a number of jests on the
subject. It was he, we believe, who
first called himself the "Missing
Link."At Ft. Scott, Kansas, July 22d,
Carrie Boscann, servant girl, started
off the kitchen fire with coal oil and
started for Abraham's house three
seconds later; she got there, though,
without expecting to go.On credit, great heresies
How could you best our Gerritt?
You could not do it to Paradise
These are the words of the angelic
Gone to meet our sister Jane.

NARROW GAUGE.